

1900

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF BOW



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OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, AND ROAD AGENTS

OF THE

TOWN OF BOW

TOGETHER WITH THE

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1900.

CONCORD, N. H. :
THE RUMFORD PRESS
1900.

TOWN OFFICERS.

FEBRUARY 15, 1900.

MODERATOR.

DAVID W. WHITE.

REPRESENTATIVE.

WARREN C. SALTMARSH.

TOWN CLERK.

SAMUEL E. ELLIOTT.

COLLECTOR.

FRANK E. COLBY.

SELECTMEN.

CYRUS C. WHEELER,
FRANK A. WHITE,
JOHN H. BURROUGHS.

AUDITOR.

GEORGE W. COLBY.

SUPERVISORS.

WARREN C. SALTMARSH,
JOHN P. ELLIOTT,
EDGAR A. WEATHERBEE.

ROAD AGENTS.

JEREMIAH B. ELLIS,
PERLEY A. CLOUGH,
CLEVE W. BARNARD,
CHARLES B. ROGERS,
WEST UPTON,
EMMONS C. COLBY,
JOHN P. ELLIOTT,
JOSEPH DOW,
ANDREW MERRILL,
HERBERT C. COLBY,
BERTRAM MORGAN,
AMOS B. PALMER,
JONAS WELCOME,
DAVID N. MORGAN.

OFFICERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT.

MODERATOR.

CHARLES B. ROGERS.

CLERK.

WARREN C. SALTMARSH.

SCHOOL BOARD.

WARREN C. SALTMARSH,
FLANDERS W. GREEN,
A. LIZZIE HAMMOND.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF BOW, APRIL 1, 1899.

221 polls,	\$22,100.00
Land and buildings,	208,123.00
225 horses,	10,091.00
26 oxen,	1,506.00
544 cows,	11,821.00
73 other neat stock,	1,149.00
32 sheep,	104.00
4 hogs,	40.00
590 fowls,	236.00
Stock in banks,	3,600.00
Money at interest,	18,696.00
Stock in trade,	5,070.00
Mills and machinery,	32,676.00
Total,	<u>\$315,212.00</u>

Amount of taxes levied for all purposes, \$4,412.96

Rate per cent. on \$100. \$1.40.

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

Paid Rumford Printing Co., printing town reports,	\$25.40
Silsby & Son, books and stationery,	6.89
Isaac Clifford, sheep killed by dogs,	6.50
Joseph Clough, watering-tub for 1898-'99,	6.00
John C. Hammond, wood for town-house,	3.00
Warren M. Davis, wood for town-house,	3.00
John J. Buntin, sawing wood for town-house,	1.00
Warren C. Saltmarsh, taking affidavit,	1.50
B. W. Clough, care of Ordway lot and tomb,	6.00

Frank Grafton, return of births and deaths,	\$2.00
Chancey Adams, return of births,	.75
George Willet, watering-trough,	3.00
George Taylor & Co., repairs for road machine,	8.00
Samuel E. Elliott, dog license blanks,	1.00
Benj. T. Green, repairs to road machine,	.50
John E. Snell, flags and wreaths for soldiers' graves,	3.39
Emmons C. Colby, damage to wagon,	3.00
Lewis Page, making checklist for school board,	4.50
Lewis C. Goodhue, watering-tub,	3.00
Geo. W. Colby, pole strap for hearse,	3.50
Edgar A. Wetherbee, member board of health,	2.50
Geo. W. Colby, care and driving hearse,	18.00
James H. Palmer, watering-tub,	3.00
Frank E. Colby, postage and stationery,	4.50
Benj. T. Green, care of hall and cutting wood,	6.00

\$125.93

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid E. A. Boutwell & Son, bridge plank,	\$18.52
B. F. Smith, bridge plank,	1.30
Lewis Page, "	4.21
F. E. Blodgett,	3.89

\$27.92

ROAD AGENTS.

Paid Walter Putney, 1898,	\$71.51
Walter J. Gray, "	59.35
Fred O. Ordway "	59.85
J. B. Ellis, 1899,	53.50
Jonas Welcome, "	56.95
Perley A. Clough, "	96.22
Cleve Barnard, "	51.80
Amasa B. Palmer, "	78.65
Bertram Morgan, "	59.34
David N. Morgan, "	81.66
Herbert C. Colby, "	39.20
Chas. B. Rogers, "	79.52
Andrew Merrill, "	45.27

Paid Emmons C. Colby, 1899,	\$35.45
West Upton, "	45.61
Joseph Dow, "	49.50
John P. Elliott, "	71.46
A. A. Elliott, "	1.80
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	\$1,036.64

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

Paid William E. Perrigo, board of John G. Hovey,	\$81.00
Geo. A. Robie & Son, groceries furnished A. H. Boynton,	78.00
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	\$159.00

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid W. M. Davis, boarding Charles McMurphy,	\$78.00
Walter S. Coffin, boarding the Fitzgerald child,	52.00
Warren M. Davis, wood for Charles A. Tracey,	10.50
Wesley L. Wheeler, " "	28.00
Mark Upton, groceries furnished "	52.00
Asa Morgan, board for Ezra McCoy,	34 90
Samuel Head, clothing "	5.60
Town of Bow, expenses for sickness and funeral of Mrs. Griffin,	40.75
Byron Clough, digging grave for Mrs. Griffin,	2.50
Dr. Grafton, medical attendance for Mrs. Knox,	10.50
Groceries for Eugene Jameson,	3.23
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	\$317.98

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Charles B. Rogers, school money,	\$1,175.00
" " repairs,	75.00
" " dog license,	150.00
" " school supplies,	144.40
" " literary fund,	52.44
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	\$1,596.84

LIST OF ABATEMENTS.

F. D. Clough,	1898,	\$1.55
Charles E. Drew,	"	1.55
Thomas Foote,	"	1.55
Wallace H. Frost,	"	1.55
Lucius Gilmore,	"	1.55
Arthur Hamilton,	"	1.55
George Huse,	"	1.55
George S. Morgan,	"	1.55
Will Tilton,	"	4.80
Howard Wonmack,	"	1.55
George Woodard,	"	1.55
Edros Drabo,	"	1.55
Asenath Wheeler,	1899,	2.80
William Elliott,	"	9.10
Caleb A. Colby,	"	3.16
Edga Alis,	"	1.40
F. D. Clough,	"	1.40
J. W. Luce,	"	1.40
George Willet,	"	.56
Howard Wonmack,	"	1.40
Benjamin Osgood,	"	4.20
Elmer Spalding,	"	1.40
Wallace Frost,	"	1.40
Charles S. Parker,	"	1.40
Harry E. Burroughs,	"	1.40
Frank W. Grafton,	"	1.40
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		\$54.27

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Cyrus C. Wheeler, services as selectman,	\$58.50
Frank A. White, " "	41.25
John H. Burroughs, " "	39.25
Orren C. Saltmarsh, services as selectman for 1898,	4.00
Warren C. Saltmarsh, services as treasurer,	25.00
Samuel E. Elliott, services as clerk,	25.00
Frank E. Colby, services as collector,	50.00

Paid Warren C. Saltmarsh, services as supervisor,	\$5.00
John P. Elliott, " "	4.50
Edgar A. Wetherbee, " "	4.50
George W. Colby, auditor and clerk,	3.00
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	\$260.00

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS.

Paid Warren C. Saltmarsh, services on school board,	\$30 00
Flanders W. Green, " "	20.25
A. Lizzie Hammond, " "	22.00
Charles B. Rogers, treasurer,	8.00
Warren C. Saltmarsh, clerk,	2.00
Samuel Woodbury, auditor,	1.00
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	\$83.25

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand February 15, 1899,	\$26.59
Received of Alexander McHarg, collector for 1898,	783.89
town clerk, dog licenses,	188.30
state treasurer, savings bank tax,	1.058 62
railroad tax,	267.37
insurance tax,	15.00
literary fund,	52.44
Merrimack county, support of paupers,	301.25
dependent soldiers,	150.00
Frank E. Colby, collector,	4,114.31
George W. Colby, use of cart,	3.00
Sargent & Niles, cost on guide-board case,	9.17
George W. Colby, cart,	22.00

\$6,991.92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Walter Putney, road agent for 1898,	\$71.51
Walter J. Gray, road agent for 1898,	59.35
Fred O. Ordway, road agent for 1898,	59.85
highway surveyors,	873.85
support of schools,	1,596.84
state treasurer, state tax,	998.75
county treasurer, county tax,	1,424.10
town officers,	260.00
school district officers,	83.25
support of county paupers,	317 98
support of dependent soldiers,	159.00
miscellaneous,	125.93
abatements,	54.27
F. W. Green, note and interest,	81.12

\$6,165.80

WARREN C. SALTMARSH,

Treasurer.

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN, FEB. 15, 1900.

Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$826.12
Due from Alexander McHarg, collector, 1898,	11.82
Due from Frank E. Colby, collector, 1899,	300 00
Due from county of Merrimack,	25.23
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	\$1,163.17

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, FEB 15, 1900.

Note of Willoby Colby,	\$707 20
Note of Elmira Ordway, fund in trust,	209.75
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	\$935.95
Balance in favor of the town,	\$227.12

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS C. WHEELER,
FRANK A. WHITE,
JOHN H. BURROUGHS,
Selectmen of Bow.

I, the undersigned, auditor of the selectmen's and town treasurer's accounts for the year ending February 15, 1900, certify that I have examined said accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

GEORGE W. COLBY.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The school board respectfully submit the following report: The schools for the past year have, we think, been fairly successful. The teachers have all had previous experience in teaching, and have performed their duties faithfully.

For want of scholars no school was held at Brown Hill, the elimination of this school increasing the length of the school year, and making the schools sustained seven in number. The small number of scholars in most of the schools, and in many cases irregular attendance, offer little encouragement to ambitious teachers. A strong prejudice exists in every neighborhood against having small children carried far from home to attend school, and has operated against all plans for further union.

The new apportionment for the public taxes by the last legislature makes our per capita tax less than formerly, thus considerably diminishing the school money for the coming year, and if we are to have as much schooling as in the past, it will be necessary to appropriate money for the same.

The law of 1899, authorizing districts to unite with one or more other districts and form a supervisory district, with a superintendent for the several districts, is heartily approved by the state superintendent and others prominent in school work. One half the salary of a superintendent would be paid by the state, and the remainder by the several districts uniting. It would presumably make some extra expense for the town, and whether we are likely to obtain a corresponding return is left for your consideration.

At the last annual meeting the sum of \$75 was appropriated for repairs, which has been expended, also a small per cent. of the school money, most of it being used at Bow Mills. The schoolhouse and shed have been shingled, the shed thoroughly repaired, and both buildings painted.

It would be good economy to keep all the school buildings painted, and we would recommend the appropriation of a small sum this year for that purpose.

SOUTH BOW.

This school has been in charge of Willie F. Davis for the entire year.

Mr. Davis is a teacher of some experience, and by his uniform kindness he at once gained the sympathy and good-will of his pupils, which gave him power to advance his scholars in their studies.

We wish to thank the parents in this district for the interest they have manifested in having their children attend school regularly, which is a great advantage to both teacher and scholars.

BOW MILLS.

Here we find the largest school in town, which has been under the instruction of Miss Lizzie Hammond, who maintained good discipline, and labored hard for the advancement of her pupils.

A part of this school is composed of scholars who evidently attend school to learn, while the others are allowed by their parents to remain at home, regardless of the law, rather than to obey the rules of the school.

RIVER ROAD.

This school for the past two years has been in charge of Miss Birdie E. Gage of Pembroke. As usual, good results, and the high standard of the school maintained.

WHITE.

Taught by Nellie J. Bloomfield of this town. We can only emphasize what has been said in former years as to her ability as a teacher.

BOG.

Edwin A. Colby⁴ teacher. Mr. Colby having taught several years in town, his ability as a teacher is well known. The school was small, but excellent progress was made.

WOOD HILL.

This school for the entire year was taught by Mrs. Warren Dow of this town. Mrs. Dow is a teacher of experience, and she worked hard for the success of her school.

The examination at the close of each term was excellent.
The parents and pupils desire her return in the spring.

NORTH BOW.

Miss Hattie Kimball, of Concord, taught this school the entire year. Miss Kimball worked for the interest of her pupils, and good improvement was made.

 ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Jessie G. Colby, Lillian Green, Susie A. Huff, James O. Ordway, Luella M. Webber, Ethel S. Ordway, Arthur Robinson, Foster E. McHarg.

ROLL OF HONOR FOR ONE TERM.

Bertha J. French, Clarence B. French, Lura A. Noyes, Albert Slager, Belle N. Fowler, Minnie L. Fowler, Una M. Bangs, Myrtle M. Hodgman, Bessie M. Hodgman, Evelyn S. Hodgman, Martha Colby, Howard Clough, Roy L. Morgan, Lee B. Morgan, Elmer J. McHarg, Martha M. White, Jessie Foot, Mabel Robinson, Manley Morgan, Howard Robinson.

Number of weeks taught by male teachers,	47
Number of weeks taught by female teachers,	156
Number of visits made by school board,	28

AUTHORIZED SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS.

Baldwin's Readers.	Comprehensive Speller.
Greenleaf's Arithmetic.	Natural Geography.
Metcalf's Grammar.	Eggleston's History.
Stowell's Physiology.	Meservey's Bookkeeping.

WARREN C. SALTMARSH,
FLANDERS W. GREEN,
A. LIZZIE HAMMOND,

School Board.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOW SCHOOL DISTRICT.

RECEIPTS.

Unexpended school money from 1898,	\$27.30
School money for 1899,	1,175.00
Literary fund,	52.44
Dog licenses,	150.00
From town for repairs,	75.00
For books and supplies,	144.40
For tuition and books,	4.08
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	\$1,628.22

EXPENDITURES.

Paid A. Lizzie Hammond, teaching 29 weeks,	\$203.00
Willie F. Davis, " "	174.00
Birdie Gage, " "	174.00
Nellie J. Bloomfield, " "	174.00
Myra Page, " "	174.00
Ida Dow, " "	174.00
Hattie Kimball, " "	174.00
Jonas Welcome, wood and cleaning house,	8.75
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	14.95
Werner School-book Co., books,	3.20
A. Lizzie Hammond, " "	1.10
W. C. Saltmarsh, " "	47.99
E. A. Morgan, repairs,	95.00
A. Donelly, globes,	30.00
Wesley Wheeler, wood,	6.00
C. B. Regan, " "	18.25
W. C. Saltmarsh, supplies,	11.37
F. W. Green, " "	20.11
A. Lizzie Hammond, " "	14.77
American Book Co., " "	39.22

Paid B. W. Clough, wood,	\$2.50
Lewis Page, repairs,	1.25
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	\$1,561.46
Receipts,	\$1,628.22
Expenditures,	1,561.46
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Balance in hands of treasurer,	\$66.76

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts,
and find them correctly cast and duly vouched.

SAMUEL WOODBURY,
Auditor.

VITAL STATISTICS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF BOW : In compliance with an act of the legislature passed June session, 1877, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the records of births, marriages, and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual reports," I submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899.

Date of birth.	Name of child (if any).	Sex and condition.			Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Person reporting birth.
		Male.	Female.	Living or still-born.							
				No. of child.	Color.						
Feb. 21	Lillie O.....	.....	F.	Living.	W.	E. A. Strickford...	Rosa Montey.....	Painter.....	Canada.....	Canada.....	T. M. Togus.
" 23	".....	.....	M.	"	"	Bertrand Morgan...	Matilda Terrier....	Farmer.....	Bow.....	Manchester....	T. M. Togus.
Apr. 10	Ruth M.....	.....	"	"	"	George M. West....	Elizabeth S. Bean...	Photographer...	Eastport, Me.	Bethlehem....	Geo. E. Leet.
" 19	".....	.....	"	"	"	W. W. Hartford....	Eva A. Stevens....	Farmer.....	Allenstown...	Bow.....	T. M. Togus.
" 24	".....	.....	"	"	"	Edgar E. Tenney...	Grace E. Jameson...	Laborer.....	Mont Vernon..	"	F. W. Grafton.
May 6	Laura.....	.....	"	"	"	Edgar Ails.....	Emma Martell.....	"	Canada.....	Canada.....	Edmund E. Hill.
June 23	".....	.....	"	"	"	F. E. Woodbury....	Emma F. Jones.....	Farmer.....	Bow.....	Hooksett.....	E. W. Sweet.
July 2	Frank O.....	.....	"	"	"	Frank O. Whittier..	Emma M. Abbott....	"	Webster.....	Concord.....	F. W. Grafton.
" 29	".....	.....	"	"	"	Fred. W. Robinson.	Ida B. Morgan.....	Tinsmith.....	Concord.....	Bow.....	Chancey Adams.
Sept. 6	Flora M.....	.....	"	"	"	E. F. Saltmarsh...	Ethel L. Morgan....	Farmer.....	Berlin, Mass..	"	M. J. Morgan.
" 9	".....	.....	"	"	"	Thomas H. Foote...	Sadie E. Hammond..	"	Bow.....	"	T. H. Foote.
Oct. 17	".....	.....	"	"	"	Almond S. Colby...	Susie T. Hoyt.....	"	"	Chichester....	F. W. Grafton.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation.	Place of birth.	Names of parents.	Marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb. 27	Concord.....	George M. West.....	Bow	22	W.	Photographer..	Eastport, Me..	George R. West..... Clara Ross.....	1	Rev. F. K. Chase, Concord.
		Elizabeth S. Bean.....	"	20	"	Lady.....	Bethlehem.....	William H. Bean..... Clara Walker.....	..	
Mar. 5	Revere, Mass..	Almond Sterling Colby....	"	21	"	Farmer	Bow	George W. Colby..... Eunice P. Heath.....	1	Rev. Nelson S. Burbank, Revere, Mass.
		Susie Tilton Hoyt.....	Chichester.	22	"	Teacher	Chichester	John S. Hoyt..... Sarah B. Vincent.....	1	
Apr. 1	Bow.....	John H. Stamard	Bow	27	"	Farmer	Alburg, Vt.....	George Stamard..... Almira Tysdale	1	Rev. Warren P. Dow, Bow.
		Catherine E. Peabody	"	23	"	Housekeeper ..	Franconia.....	Allen Peabody	1	
May 3	"	Frank A. Green.....	"	28	"	Farmer	Manchester.....	Rhodolphus Green..... Etta A. Elliot.....	2	Rev. Samuel Woodbury, Bow.
		Ada G. Elkins.....	"	22	"	Housekeeper ..	Thornton	George W. Elkins	1	
July 3	Hooksett	Edward M. Strickford	"	30	"	Farmer	Stanstead, Can.	Antonie Strickford	1	Rev. Moses Patten, Hooksett.
		Bell E. Noyes	"	49	"	Housekeeper ..	New York.....	Elizabeth Walker..... Horace Lee.....	2	
" 20	Bow.....	Bert F. Alexander.....	"	20	"	Farmer	Bow	E. G. Alexander..... Nettie Blake.....	1	Rev. Mark Tisdale, Bow.
		Eva M. Noyes.....	"	20	"	Lady	"	George W. Noyes	1	
Aug. 23	Whitefield	Edward J. Hemphill.....	"	25	"	Farmer	"	Phyllis Messet..... Frank Hemphill.....	1	Rev. W. C. Bartlett, Whitefield.
		Frances M. Johnson	Danville, Que.....	25	"	Dressmaker	"	Sarah Elliot..... Robert Johnson.....	1	
Dec. 23	Bow.....	Frank Gilbert.....	Bow	30	"	Farmer	Burlington, Vt.	..... Alexander Gilbert.....	2	Rev. Samuel Woodbury, Bow.
		Grace R. Foss.....	"	18	"	Housekeeper ..	Weare	Elisbet Gilbert..... Henry Towns..... Mary Martin.....	2	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BOW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.			Sex.	Color.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	
			Years.	Months.	Days.				Father.	Mother.			
Feb. 8	Bow Mills...	Catherine D. Willey	70	...	Ireland	F.	W.	Housewife...	Bradford	Hampstead	Abraham Mitchell	Judith Moulton.	
" 9	Bow	Mary J. Rodgers...	45	5	Hooksett	"	"	"	Epsom	Canterbury	Joseph Brown...	Susan Danforth.	
" 25	"	Maria Griffin...	46	5	8 Canterbury	"	"	"	Bow	Manchester	Bertrand Morgan	Matilda Terrier.	
March 2	"	Percy Morgan...	...	8	Bow	M.	"	Housekeeper	"	"	Anselm Shono...	Pettie Elliot.	
" 18	"	Sophia Hammond...	76	...	15 Londonderry,	F.	"	Housewife...	"	"	Anna Colby	Martha Sargent.	
" 19	"	Emily Morgan...	67	2	5 Bow	"	"	Retired	"	"	E. G. Saltmarsh.	Sally Story.	
April 25	"	Gilman Saltmarsh...	89	...	26 Goffstown	M.	"	Farmer	Goffstown	"	Jonathan Clough.	Mary Emery.	
May 8	"	Emery Clough...	87	11	25 Bow	"	"	Housekeeper	Bow	Bow	Enoch Alexander	Miriam Colby.	
Aug. 13	"	Adaline A. Sampson...	79	...	13 [Mass.	F.	"	Farmer	Dover	Barrington	Chas. W. Trickey	Martha S. Carter.	
Sept. 17	"	Charles H. Trickey	51	1	19 Stoneham,	M.	"	Infant	Berlin, Mass.	Bow	E. F. Saltmarsh	Ethel L. Morgan.	
" 27	"	Flora M. Saltmarsh	...	11	Bow	F.	"	Housewife...	Dunbarton	Dunbarton	Jonathan Colby	Sarah E. Perkins.	
Nov. 13	"	Cyrena Woodbury	67	4	1 Dunbarton	M.	"	"	Wakefield	Hampton	Thomas P. Clark	Eucetia Shaw.	
" 27	"	Elizabeth Pillsbury	82	1	1 Wakefield	"	"	Farmer	Pembroke	Bow	Jeremiah Morgan	Abiah Colby.	
" 18	"	Seriah Morgan...	83	3	24 Bow	"	"	"	Wakefield	Hampton	Thomas P. Clark	Eucetia Shaw.	
" 18	"	C. Coleman Clark...	73	4	18 Wakefield	"	"	"	Bow	Bow	David White.....	Betsey Carter.	
Dec. 4	"	Henry K. White....	69	3	1 Bow	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

SAMUEL E. ELLIOT, *Town Clerk.*

